The duties of the Senior Inspector of Schools.

Mr. T. A. RAMACHANDRA AYYAR.

80. (a) In addition to the duties of the Senior Inspector of Schools in the State, do not all the offices of (1) the Secretary to the Malayalam Improvement Committee, (2) the President of the Text-Book Committee and (3) the President of the Board of Studies, devolve upon one and the same man who is the present incumbent of that office?

(b) Should not the Senior Inspector of Schools be a full-timed officer and are not the other duties too much for him? Are there complaints by reason of saddling him with all these offices and if so what are the complaints and what all actions were taken regarding the same?

Mr. C. MATTHAI.

(a) The answer is in the affirmative.

(b) The Senior Inspector of Schools is a full-timed officer and Government do not consider the duties imposed on him are too much. There were no such complaints.

Promotion to teachers in aided Schools.

Mr. T. A. RAMACHANDRA AYYAR.

81. Is not service taken into consideration in giving promotions to teachers in the aided schools? Has not the Director of Public Instruction ample powers to order rectification of the wrongs, if any, so done? Has he, during the years of his regime as Director, examined the staff-lists of such institutions and satisfied himself that no irregularity exists? How many such irregularities, if any, has he set right, and in which aii institutions?

Mr. C. MATTHAI.

The staff-lists of all the aided institutions have to be approved by the Director every year in accordance with Article 78, C. E. C., and in approving such lists, service, qualification, etc., are taken into consideration and the Director has power to rectify wrongs, if any. Irregularities as they come up are dealt with by the Director. The preparation of an exhaustive list of the kind will take an amount of time which the department can ill afford to spare.

Mr. T A. RAMACHANDRA AYYAR.

May I know, Sir, at least the number of irregularities that were set right?

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PRESIDENT.

Do you ask for an exhaustive list of the irregularities in the institutions?

Mr. C. MATTHAI.

Irregularities have been set right in almost all institutions.

Statement of Educational Institutions.

Mr. C. A. KUNJUNNI RAJA.

82. Will the Government be pleased to state the number

(a) High Schools,

(b) Lower Secondary Schools,

(c) Primary English Schools,

(d) Primary Malayalam Schools,

(e) Other special schools for boys and girls in the State under each of the following heads, viz., (i) Sirkar, (ii) Aided and (iii) Recognised but not aided?

Mr. C. MATTHAI.

A statement giving the information is appended. (*Vide Appendix I.*)

Exemptions from U. T. C. and T. T. C.

Mr. C. A. KUNJUNNI RAJA.

83. (a) How many applications for exemption certificates from U. T. C. and T. T. C. have been received from teachers by the Educational Department during the last 3 years?

(b) Of the applicants and of those to whom such certificates were granted, how many were:—i. Tamil Brahmins, ii. Nayars, iii. Ambalavasis, iv. other caste-Hindus, v. non-caste Hindus, vi. Christians, vii. Muhammadans and viii. others?

Mr. C. MATTHAI.

(a) 23.

(b) Of the applicants 6 were Tamil Brahmins, 4 Nayars 3 Ambalavasis, 2 other caste-Hindus, 2 non-caste Hindus and 6 Christians. Those exempted were:—Tamil Brahmins 6, Nayars 3, Ambalavasis 2, other caste-Hindus 1, non-caste Hindus 1 and Christians 4.

Sports and Games fees collected from Students.

Mr. C. A. KUNJUNNI RAJA.

84. (a) Are separate accounts maintained in schools for amounts collected as sports or games fees from students?

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